

Hursey + Company
[Asheville, NC]

1933

HURSEY & COMPANY
J E W E L E R S

SUCCESSORS TO ARTHUR M. FIELD COMPANY-ESTABLISHED 1889

ASHEVILLE, N. C.

March 29th, 1933

Curator, Metropolitan Museum
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

One of our customers has brought to us three ancient gold coins. One of the members of our customer's family was interested in the explorations at Pompeii, but we are unable to identify these coins.

We wonder if you would be interested in our sending them to you for identification, or if you would advise us as to whom we might apply.

Very truly yours,

HURSEY & COMPANY

By

[Signature]

JSH:RS

*Your letter to the Metropolitan etc.
If you would send the coins to us we
will classify them for you at a
charge of \$1.- for the three, payment
to accompany the coins.*

*Refer to American
Numismatic Society
Shirley Ricketts
March 31*

April 3, 1933.

Hursey & Company
Asheville, N. C.

Gentlemen:

Your letter to the Metropolitan
Museum of Art has been referred to us for
reply.

If you would send the coins to
us we will classify them for you at a
charge of \$1.00 for the three, payment to
accompany the coins.

Very truly yours,

RR:JG

Assistant Curator

HURSEY & COMPANY
J E W E L E R S

SUCCESSORS TO ARTHUR M. FIELD COMPANY-ESTABLISHED 1889

ASHEVILLE, N. C.

April 5th, 1933

Mr. Robert Robertson
Assistant Curator
The American Numismatic Society
Broadway between 155th & 156th Sts.
New York, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

We have for acknowledgment your letter of April 3rd, relative to our letter addressed to the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

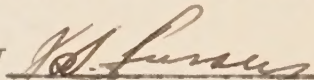
We are sending you the coins, together with our check for \$1.00, and would ask you to classify them, give us an estimate on their probable value, and advise us whether or not you would be interested in their purchase. If not interested yourself, would you advise us of anyone whom you think might be interested in their purchase?

Thanking you for your courtesy, we are,

Very truly yours,

HURSEY & COMPANY

By



JSH:RS

April 8, 1933.

Mr. J. S. Hursey
Hursey & Company
Asheville, N. C.

Dear Sir:

There is no one in the United States as far as we know who collects Mohammedan coins. These are always a drug on the market and your coins being holed will not readily find a sale, as no collector wants coins which are mutilated in any way. However, as this is a museum we sometimes accept coins that are holed to fill out our dates and it so happens that the two Mohammedan coins which you sent us for attribution are lacking in our collection. We are willing to pay 15% above their gold content if you care to sell them to us. Also, if you care to sell these two coins we will credit you with 50¢, the portion of the attribution charge for these two coins. Each coin that you sent has a description written on the separate envelope in which we have placed the coins. The Byzantine coin in unimpaired condition is worth about \$6.50. Of course with a hole in it, as mentioned before, it would be very hard to sell at any premium above the gold content. We are returning all the coins herewith by registered letter.

Very truly yours,

RR:JG

Assistant Curator